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PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 8049.0010

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Oscar L. AVANT et al. ) Application No.: 09/651,323		)
		Group Art Unit: 2876
		) )    Examiner:  A. Kim
Filed:	August 31, 2000	) LXAITIIIIGI. A. KIIII )
		Confirmation No.: 3894
For:	APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING A MAILPIECE USING AN IDENTIFICATION CODE	

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of December 29, 2004. A fee of \$450.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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